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FEE TRANSMITTAL
For FY 2005☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)
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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
28 - 20 or HP = 8	x 25 =	200		

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
- 3 or HP =	x		

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).


Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): _____

SUBMITTED BY

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APPLICANT: Richard Alan Walker

SERIAL NUMBER: 10/528,399

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.: PCT/AU03/01332

FILING OR 371(c) DATE: 03/17/2005

TITLE: CONNECTOR SYSTEMS FOR BUILDING MATERIALS

GROUP ART UNIT: 3635

EXAMINER: Unknown

AGENT DOCKET NO.: AP052-05

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES (DO/EO/US)

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Sir:

This response is submitted in conjunction with a copy of the NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES (DO/EO/US).

In response to the NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES dated 09/14/2005, the following amendments and/or remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with above-identified application:

REMARKS

The Applicant appreciates the courteous and complete examination of the application by the Examiner. In view of the foregoing amendments and/or the following remarks, a reconsideration of the instant application is respectfully requested.

The NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES indicated that an additional claim fee of **\$200.00** as a small entity, for EIGHT (8) claims over 20, is required. The Applicant submits a cheque for the additional claim fees, and a copy of the NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES, thereby meeting the requirements of the Notification and 35 U.S.C. 371.

With the above amendments and/or remarks being fully responsive to all outstanding rejections and formal requirements, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now complete under 35 U.S.C. 371, and a new filing receipt is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner feel that there are further issues which might be resolved by means of telephone interview, he is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned at 727-345-1450.

Respectfully Submitted,



David A. Guerra, Reg. 46,443

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371 FORMALITIES LETTER



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Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 03/17/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 03/17/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 03/17/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 03/17/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 03/17/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 03/17/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 03/17/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 03/17/2005
- Power of Attorney filed on 03/17/2005
- Specification filed on 03/17/2005
- Claims filed on 03/17/2005
- Drawings filed on 03/17/2005

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of \$200 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$200 for a Small Entity:

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$ 200

- \$200 for 8 total claims over 20.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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